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IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 6, line 9, as follows:

More specifically, when the two part liquid system described previously is employed in the practice of the present invention, it is preferred that Part A include an amount of a bicarbonate sufficient to impart a foam-like structure to the resulting biomaterial. Inorganic and organic bicarbonates may be employed. Preferred inorganic bicarbonates employed in the practice of the present invention include metal bicarbonates, such as bicarbonates of sodium, potassium, aluminum, iron and the like. Especially preferred inorganic bicarbonates are sodium and potassium bicarbonates. A preferred erganic inorganic bicarbonate includes ammonium bicarbonate. The amount of water in the Part A solution is adjusted as needed.

